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Dear DOJ,

I would like to urge you to consider the comments of Dan Kegel and others concerning the Microsoft trial settlement. An excellent resource concerning many informed opinions is the following site:

<http://www.kegel.com/remedy/>

The PFJ as written only helps extend Microsoft's monopoly. It is not sufficiently broad and it does not allow for the entrance of true competitors into the software playing field. In particular, I would like to stress the importance of allowing and enforcing a "Window's compatibility", so that other operating systems, without fear of retaliation, could run programs using the Windows API's. This would easily allow for a variety of operating systems to viably enter the intel-compatible market (Mac OS X and Linux) as competitors to Microsoft's current unjust reign over the desktop.

Again, please consider this.

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